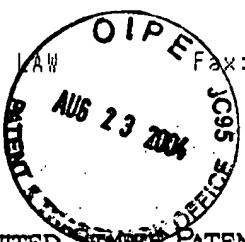


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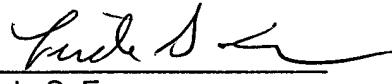
The Notice, a copy of which is enclosed herewith, indicates that the entries for item <213> of SEQ ID Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 in the original Sequence Listing are inappropriate. To correct this informality and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.825,

Applicant submits herewith an official Substitute Sequence Listing on paper and a copy in computer readable form. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.825, the undersigned states that the copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing in computer readable form is the same as the paper version of the Substitute Sequence Listing. The undersigned further states that the Substitute Sequence Listing introduces no new matter, insofar as it corrects apparent informalities in item <213> of SEQ ID NOS: 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Sequence Listing as originally filed.

In view of the foregoing, the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821 - 1.825 have been met. Accordingly, Applicant requests prompt examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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